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Dear Dan Glickman;

I am writing today because I am concerned about the genetically modified foods that have been introduced to the public, and the integrity of organic produce. I urge you to support mandatory labeling of all products containing genetically engineered organisms, and to respect the integrity of organic standards by keeping them free of genetically engineered organisms.

By labeling products that have been modified in this way you are preserving the public's freedom to choose. I strongly believe that people should make up their own minds about whether or not they should eat the products of gene technology. The **wonderful** people in this country should not be treated like guinea pigs. Many people are eating foods that have been engineered and they do not even realize it. Extensive and long term tests should have been conducted before the public began consuming these foods. In the meantime these products should at least be labeled so that people can choose not to be a part of this experiment.

I fully support the USDA's efforts to produce national organic standards. I also support the NOSB's conclusion that organic food should not be genetically engineered, and support the passage of organic standards that reflect this. Please help preserve our right to choose. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Crystal Wooldridge

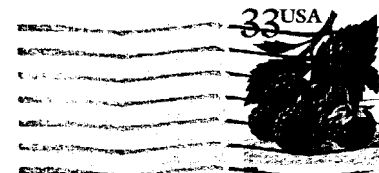
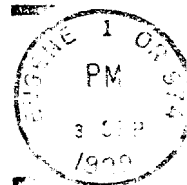
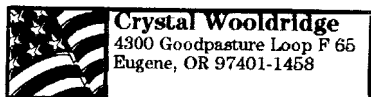
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